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prop-a-gate
(click to hear the word) (prop's-gat')
v. prop-a-gat-ed, prop-a-gat-ing, prop-a-gates
v. tr.

- 1. To cause (an organism) to multiply or breed.
- 2. To breed (offspring).
- 3. To transmit (characteristics) from one generation to another.
- 4. To cause to extend to a broader area or larger number; spread: missionaries who propagate the faith.
- 5. To make widely known; publicize: propagate a rumor.
- 6. <u>Physics</u> To cause (a wave, for example) to move in some direction or through a medium; transmit.

v. intr.

- 1. To have offspring, multiply.
- 2. To extend to a broader area or larger number, spread.
- 3. *Physics* To move through a medium.

[Latin propagare, propagat-; see pag- in Indo-European roots.]

prop'a·ga·ble (-gə-bəl) adj. prop'a·ga'tive adj. prop'a·ga'tor n.

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trans-mit

(click to hear the word) (trans-mit', tranz-)

v. trans·mit·ted, trans·mit·ting, trans·mits

v. tr.

- 1. To send from one person, thing, or place to another, convey. See Synonyms at <u>convey</u>, <u>send</u>¹.
- 2. To cause to spread; pass on: transmit an infection.
- 3. To impart or convey to others by heredity or inheritance, hand down.
- 4. To pass along (news or information); communicate.

5.

- a. <u>Electronics</u> To send (a signal), as by wire or radio.
- b. <u>Physics</u> To cause (a disturbance) to propagate through a medium.
- 6. To convey (force or energy) from one part of a mechanism to another.

v. intr.

To send out a signal.

[Middle English transmitten, from Latin transmittere: trans-, trans-+ mittere, to send.]

trans·mit ta·ble adi.

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